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Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 - Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 3763

PATENT
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0090/004001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Noboru NAKASHIMA Art Unit: 3763
Application No.: 10/084,491 Examiner: Ghafoorian, R.
Filed : February 28, 2002
Title : SAFETY INDWELLING SYRINGE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2003,
applicant hereby submits the enclosed papers including an
Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116.

Applicant now hereby claims Small Entity Status.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a), applicant hereby
petitions for an extension of time for one (1) month to October 2,

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2003, for filing a response to the Office Action dated June 2,
2003, in connection with the above-identified application.

No extension of time has been previously obtained for filing
the response. Thus a fee of \$55.00 for an extension of one month
pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a) is required.

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The required fees are calculated below:

Total Claims	<u>10</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>0</u>	\$0.00
Independent	<u>2</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
One Month's Extension of Time Fee						<u>\$55.00</u>
TOTAL FEE DUE:						<u>\$55.00</u>

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 19-2586, REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0090/004001. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAPER IS ENCLOSED. THIS IS A GENERAL AUTHORIZATION EXCLUDING ONLY PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE.

Respectfully submitted,


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Reg. No. 32,548

Date: September 23, 2003

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